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CONTROL SEMINAR IN TBILISI

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11. (U) This is an Action request. Please, see para 3 below.

12. (C) BACKGROUND: Responding to an earlier U.S. suggestion for cooperation to improve Georgia's export controls, Polish Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MFA) Under Secretary Witold Waszczykowski has proposed a joint U.S.-Polish Export Control Seminar to be held possibly in the first half of 2008 in Tbilisi, Georgia (reftel A). The purpose of the seminar is to assist with improving Georgia's export control system. The Polish proposal also stated that the seminar would focus on a complex evaluation of Georgia's export control system as well as defining directions of its further development.

(Note: The U.S. has recently completed an in-depth review of Georgia's Strategic Trade Controls, which include export controls. The U.S. feels that this document could facilitate this seminar and hopes to be able to share this document with Poland during the planning stages. The U.S. would seek Georgia's concurrence in advance of releasing this assessment to Poland. End Note.) In addition, the seminar would assist in bringing together Georgian institutions that are involved in export control policy, development, and implementation to include manufacturing representatives and brokers who are not subject to any training activities at present.

13. (C) ACTION REQUEST for Embassy Warsaw: Post is requested to respond through appropriate means to host government officials in order to accept this proposed offer to work with Poland on a joint export control seminar in Georgia. Post should request an outline of ideas and a point of contact at Polish MFA to work with on coordination efforts. Post should also inquire as to whether or not this idea has been previewed with Georgia and if so, its response.

14. (U) Washington appreciates post's assistance. Please slug replies for ISN/CATR, ISN ECC, and EUR/PRA.  
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